

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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SUBJECT: Underground Injection Control (UIC) Public Hearings in California

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Background

Delegation of the oil and gas portion of the Underground Injection Control program has been committed to as a Regional Output with a final determination due in July, 1982. To meet this date, public hearings have been scheduled for June 1st and June 3rd, which requires a minimum of a 30-day public notice. Public Notices for the Federal Register and six local newspapers have been prepared and must be mailed out as soon as possible. These notices must appear on April 30th or earlier.

Issue

The services of Matt Walker, the Regional Hearing Officer, and Lorraine Pearson, the Hearing Clerk, have been requested for UIC primacy public hearings scheduled for June 1st in Bakersfield, California and June 3rd in San Francisco, California. I have been informed that there may be some problems regarding the dates of the hearings and the availability of Matt Walker and Lorraine Pearson.

This memo is to request that any problems with the public hearings be resolved as quickly as possible. If not notified to the contrary by close of business Tuesday (April 20, 1982), I will assume the request has been granted and the hearing notice with June 1st and June 3rd hearing dates will be sent out for publication in the Federal Register.